

# REMOTE WEB USERS Handbook USARPAC SITES ALASKA

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# Scheduling of Alaska Ranges, Training Areas, and Facilities:

Is governed by USAG FWA Regulation 350-1, dated 20 April 2010. Unit priority is governed by Chapter 3 of USAG FWA Regulation 350-1.

The unit Battalion S-3, Operations/Training Room, or designated official will require the following: A workstation with web connectivity and a valid RFMSS username and password

When the BN S-3, Operations/Training Room, or designated official accesses the application via the web, data is passed from their location to the RFMSS web server. The RFMSS web server validates the Username and Password and will establish a connection via a secure link to the Range Facility server. Data is then passed from the user to the application server and back via the RFMSS web server.

Web access allows customers to view the Two Week Calendar and submit standard and non-standard requests for ranges, training areas, and training facilities. It also enables the user to process subordinate unit(s) requests, view, and print Range Bulletins.

The RFMSS web server address (URL) is https://rfmss.belvoir.army.mil

**HELP:** For RFMSS login and connectivity questions, call the specific Range Control Functional Administrator (FA):

- Richardson Training Area, 384-6012
- Fort Wainwright and Donnelly Training Area, 353-1195

**HELP:** Range Operations, Scheduling, and range specific questions contact the specific Range Control Personnel:

384-6233

### **Richardson Training Area:**

• Range Facility Manager

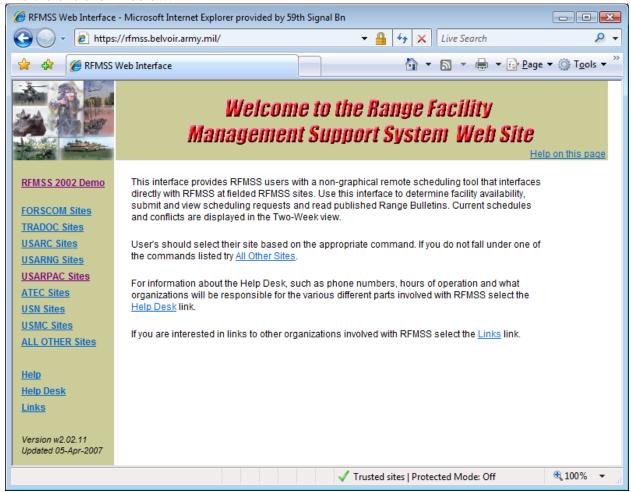
Range Operations	384-6231		
Scheduling	384-3508		
• Fire Desk	384-6230		
Fort Wainwright:			
Range Facility Manager	353-1242		
• Range Operations	353-1244		
Scheduling	353-1265		
• Fire Desk	353-1266		

### **Donnelly Training Area**

•	Range Facility Manager	873-1447
•	Range Operations	873-4717
•	Scheduling	873-4714
•	Fire Desk	873-4714

### Gaining Access to the RFMSS WEB site:

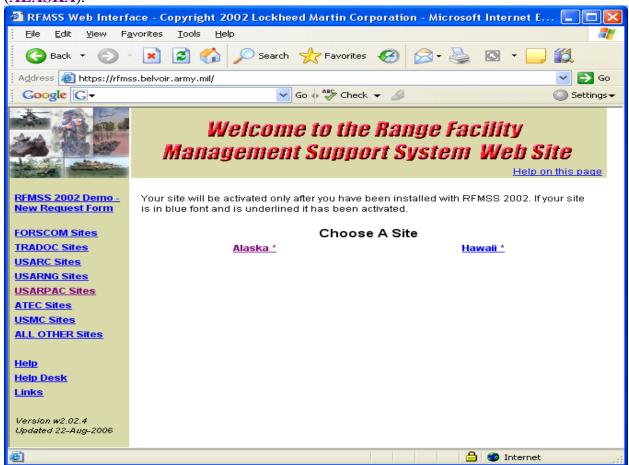
To gain access to the RFMSS system the BN S-3, Operations/Training Room, or designated official must log onto a PC with WEB access. Once the WEB site opens, the BN S-3 or designated official has access to the RFMSS web site via the internet by opening the WEB page, selecting the installation of interest (USARPAC Sites, Alaska). The web page will look like the one shown below.



Once on the web page, use the mouse to select (point and click) the desired site (USARPAC SITES).

# **Selecting an Installation**

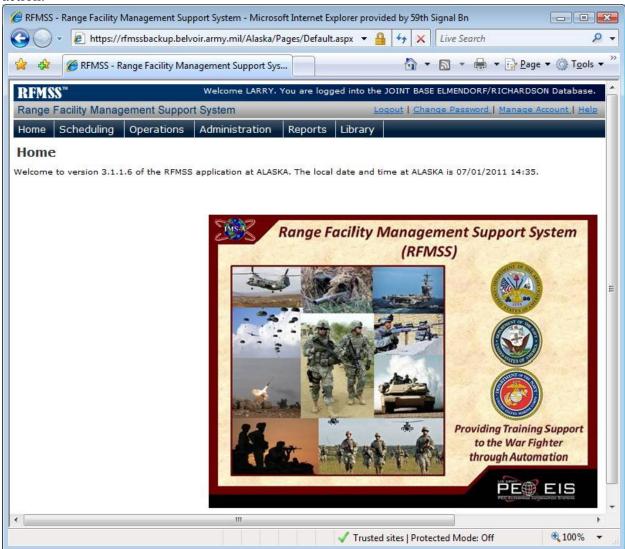
Selecting an Installation requires clicking on the command Group listing that the installation belongs to (USARPAC SITES), then clicking on the specific installation (ALASKA).



The system will identify the range facility selected (Alaska) and require a valid BN S-3 or designated official Username and Password to log into the facility database or a new account will have to be requested through the website.



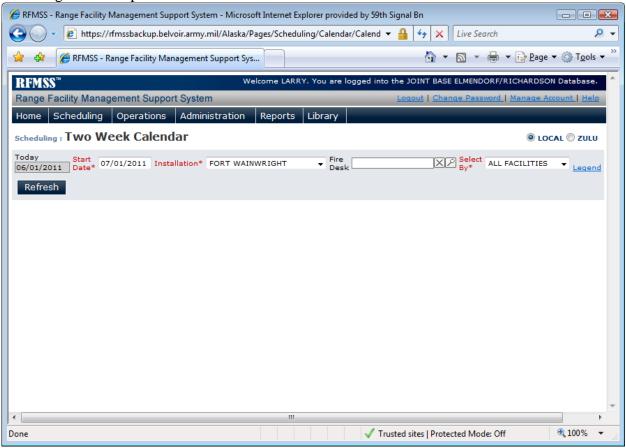
Once the BN S-3 or designated officials Username and Password have been entered and accepted by the system the user will see the following window and be required to select the next desired action.



**NOTE**: Throughout the application, all data entry fields labeled with an Asterisk (\*) and in **RED** are **MANDATORY** fields. The system will not allow the user to advance past that window without an entry in that field.

### The Two Week Calendar

It is strongly recommended that all schedulers start the request submission process from the Two Week Calendar. Starting at the Two Week Calendar allows the user to see if there are any conflicts (scheduling or safety) on a desired facility prior to filling out the request forms. This can be a time saving process. When the Two Week Calendar is selected, the following window opens:

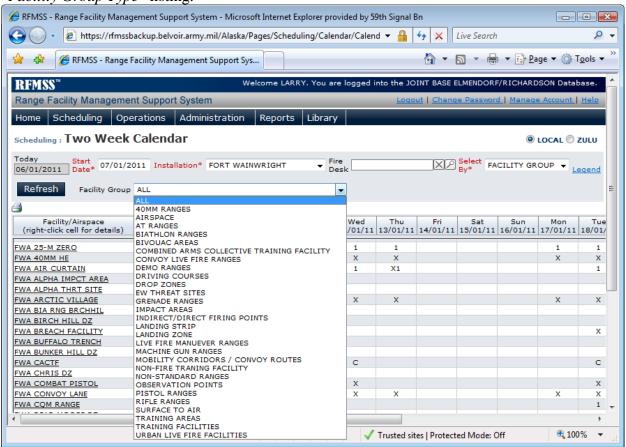


## To display the Two Week Calendar –

- 1. Select the Start Date To select a Start Date click anywhere in the start date box (Day, Month, Year). The user may select the desired start date for the Two Week Calendar. If no Start Date is selected the application will default to show today's date and the Start Date will default to the next days date.
- **2.** Select the Installation To assist the user in refining the listing displayed on the Two Week Calendar there is the Installation data field. This data field will display all established RFMSS fire desk operations on the Alaska Site (Richardson, Wainwright, Donnelly). The purpose for designating multiple fire desks is because of geographical location or the function of a specific set of training assets.
  - 3. Select By: Facility Event or Group

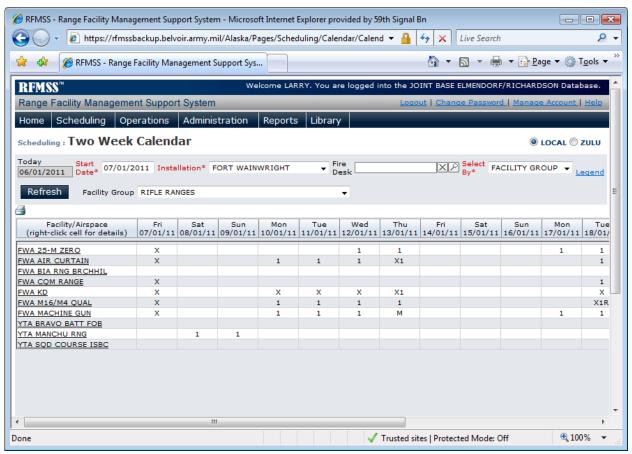
**Selecting a Facility Group Radio Button** will display a listing of all the "facility type" groups established in the database. This is the easiest and preferred method. Once the Facility Group Radio Button is selected, the user must select the facility type that they are requesting by using the *drop down arrow to the right*. When the "Get Two Week Calendar"

button is clicked, the application will display only those facilities that have been assigned to that "Facility Group Type" listing.



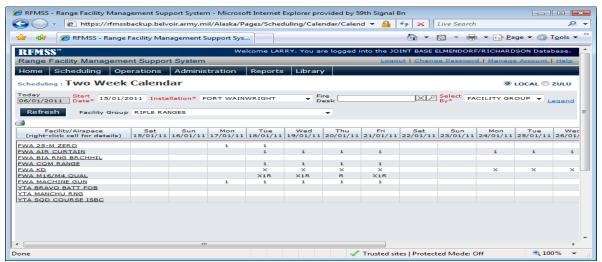
Selecting the Event Radio Button will display a listing of all events, which are built into the database. The user must select the specific training event that they are requesting. When the "Get Two Week Calendar" button is clicked, the application will display only those facilities that will accommodate the training event selected.

**4.** Click on Get Two Week Calendar. The Two Week Calendar window will open as seen below. The legend on the bottom of the window explains the codes used in the Two Week Calendar.



To submit a request for a specific facility and date from the Two Week Calendar the user places the curser over the block that corresponds to the desired facility and desired date column and double clicks the block. This will open a request form. Fill out the form as required (steps for completing a new request are detailed on <a href="mailto:page 12">page 12</a> under the heading (Submitting a Request). Once the request is submitted click on the Two Week Calendar link, this resets the filters, click on <a href="mailto:Get Two Week Calendar">Get Two Week Calendar</a>. The Two Week Calendar will reflect the newly submitted request with an R for pending.

**Viewing safety conflicts** – Safety conflicts are displayed on the Two Week Calendar by an "X" appearing in the block. To view a description of the safety conflict, place the curser over the block on the Two Week Calendar and double click. The following is an example of a Safety Conflict:

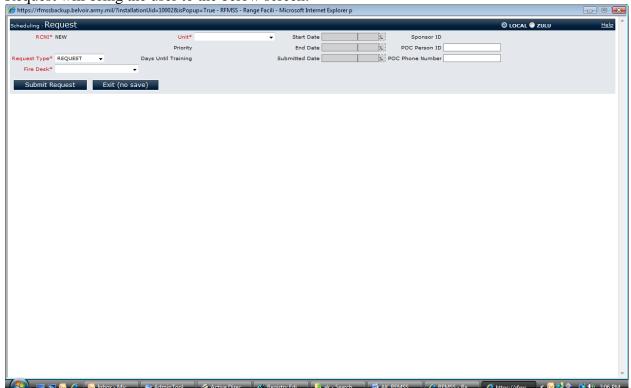


**To view scheduling conflicts** – Should the user desire a facility that is already scheduled, indicated on the Two Week Calendar by either a "R" for a pending request or a numeric (1,2,3, etc.) indicating approved reservation(s).

**Note**: Most ranges, training areas, and facilities will accommodate more then one unit. Requests for Joint-Use are strongly encouraged. For instructions on how to request Joint Use, refer to USAG FWA 350-1, Chapter 3 or contact the Range Control Scheduler.

# **Submitting the Request**

Double clicking a specific block on the Two Week Calendar selecting the Standard Request will bring the user to the below screen:



<u>Submitting a Standard Request</u> – In the system set up tables relationships between each facility, select events, and specific weapons/ammunition are established. This relationship establishes that the facility is capable of supporting specific events and weapons/ammo without any modification. When submitting a **Standard Request**, the drop down fields will only show those events, weapons, and ammunitions that have been established. The user selects required data from the drop down lists and submits the request.

### **Data Fields:**

**RCNI** – The Request Control Number Identifier (RCNI) will not populate until the request has been submitted. Once the request has been submitted, the RCNI will be assigned to that request *permanently*. This is the number that the user will use to look up the request in the application.

\*Unit – *This is a mandatory field.* The user will select, from the drop down, what unit is requesting training.

\*Fire Desk – *This is a mandatory field*. The user will select, from the drop down, which fire desk they will be training through.

**Priority** – This field will auto populate if there has been a priority assigned to the unit requesting the facility.

\*OIC – *This is a mandatory field*. The user needs to specify which Officer in Charge (OIC) will oversee the training.

**Commander** – This field is not mandatory but is already known when request is made.

\*POC Person ID – This is a mandatory field. Name of person making request.

\*POC Phone Number – *This is a mandatory field.* Phone number of person making request.

Under the "No data to display" in the middle of the screen you want to click on "new".

**Standard Event check block** – The application will default to placing a checkmark in this block. The checkmark indicates the relational data base is being used to extract data which is shown in the data field drop downs. If the user is authorized to remove the checkmark, the data drop down fields will display all appropriate data in the database.

\*Event - This is a mandatory field. The user must select a training event.

\*Facility - This is a mandatory field. The user must select the facility being requested.

\*Start Date - *This is a mandatory field*. This is the first day that the facility is being requested.

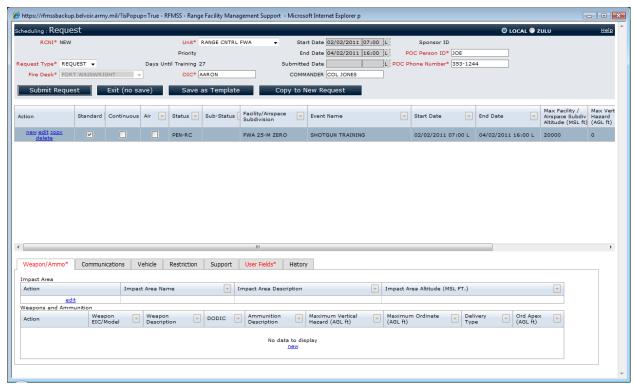
\*End Date - This is a mandatory field. This is the last day that the facility is being requested.

**Number of People** – Amount of people expected to train.

**Range Safety Officer (RSO)** – Use the magnify glass to the right of the block and choose a certified RSO from the list.

**Officer in Charge (OIC)** – Use the magnify glass to the right of the block and choose a certified OIC from the list.

When the Fields have been populated, click on the button *Save* to the lower left of the screen. The following screen will display:



**Note**: There is a line on the screen just below the data fields that indicates the event and facility that was previously selected. Additionally, there is now a new set of data fields and tabs on the bottom of the display. Within the blue strip towards the bottom of the screen, there are blocks with labels inside. These are additional tabs that have data fields. These data fields address additional information about the event/facility now displayed in the blue field. The user must open each tab to input data. The user must be very careful to assure that the event desired is in the blue field before inputting or updating data tabs for that event.

**NOTE: DO NOT click on the Exit (no save) BUTTON** on the left hand side of the screen. The CANCEL Button will cancel the entire request and you will have to start over.

<u>Completing the TABS portion of the Request</u> – There are seven (7) tabs across the bottom of the Request Form. These tabs are as follows and are individually discussed below:

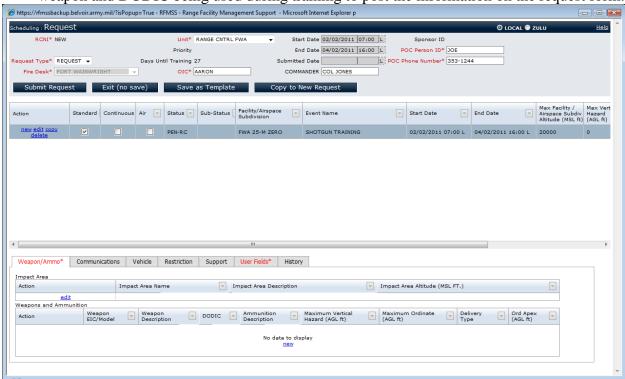
- \*Weapons Ammo This tab addresses only the event/facility displayed in the blue field.
- Communication This tab addresses the entire request.
- Vehicle This tab addresses only the event/facility displayed in the blue field.
- Conflict This tab addresses only the event/facility displayed in the blue field. If there is a conflict to begin with.
- Restriction This tab addresses only the event/facility displayed in the blue field.
- Support This tab addresses only the event/facility displayed in the blue field.
- \*User Fields This tab addresses only the event/facility displayed in the blue field.

• History – This gives all the communication involved with the training request, which will be blank till further in the request and approval process.

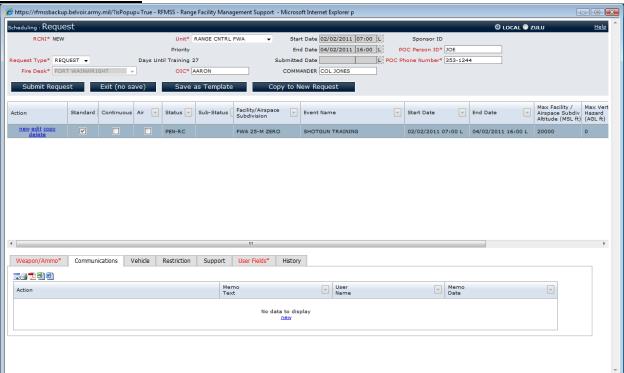
The *Weapon Ammo Tab is mandatory;* The Weapon and Ammunition lists are standard listings of the Army inventory plus any local entries by the FA.

The Weapon Model and Description and DODIC that appear in the lists are populated from the Facility-Weapon, Facility-Ammunition and Weapon-Ammunition tables for standard requests.

**NEW Button** – The user selects the **Weapon and DODIC** for their training. To attach that data to the request form the user must click the **New** button. If there is more than one weapon and DODIC to be used during training the user must select the next weapon and DODIC and then click on the **New** button again. This process must be done for each weapon and DODIC being used during training to post the information on the request form.

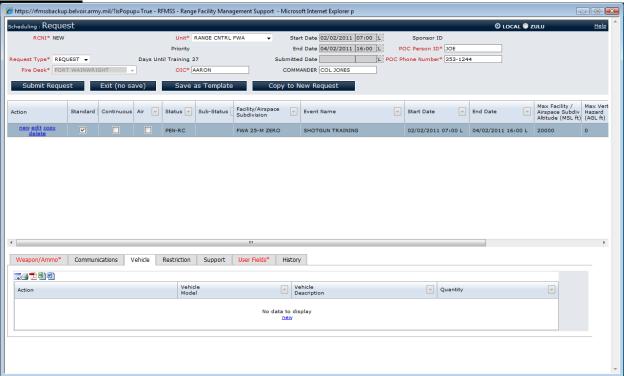


### **Communication Tab** -



By clicking the *New* button you can add any memo you would like to communicate with range control, specifically the scheduler.

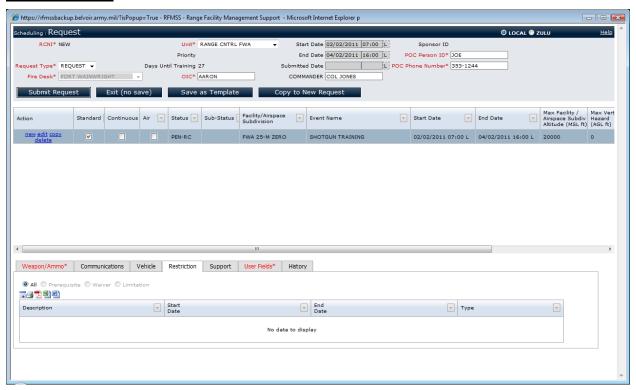
### Vehicle Tab -



The Vehicle Tab of the Request Form displays the vehicles. The *Model Name* and the *Requested Vehicle Quantity* of each type of vehicle are needed. **All vehicles** that are utilized, to include hardstand-parking areas, are to be entered into the Request Form.

**New button** – The user selects the vehicle and quantity for that vehicle. To attach that data to the request form, event/facility line, the user must click the **New** button. If there is more than one type of vehicle to be used during training the user must select the next vehicle, input the quantity for that vehicle, and then click on the **New** button again. This process must be duplicated for each vehicle type to post the information on the request form. There will be a listing below the data fields (grey bar) which will show each entry for that specific facility.

### **Restriction Tab** -



The Restriction Tab of the Request Form window enables the user to view any Waivers, Prerequisites, Limitations, and available Equipment associated with the selected event and/or facility. The restrictions on the facilities can be established for specific time frames or long term in the set up table.

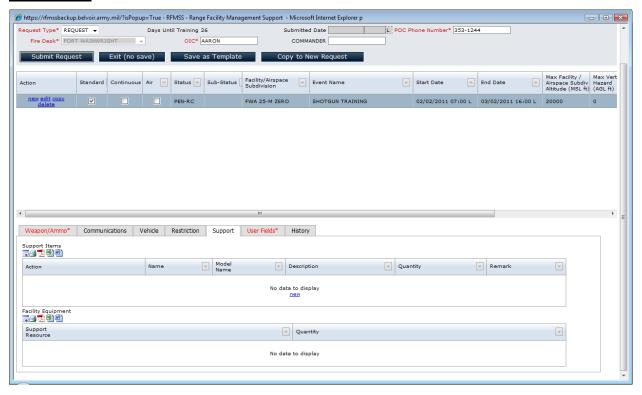
View any information on each of these restriction types by clicking the applicable radio button: **Waivers**, **Prerequisites** and **Limitations**. The system will display specific data fields containing information affecting the request.

A **Limitation** would be any restriction that could keep the facility from being operated at full capacity (i.e. limited hours of operation due to noise abatement, animal migration, or seasonal restrictions).

A **Prerequisite** would be a requirement for the user to take some action on prior to facility usage (i.e. submit packages within established guidelines, SDZs, or attend special briefings or specialized training courses).

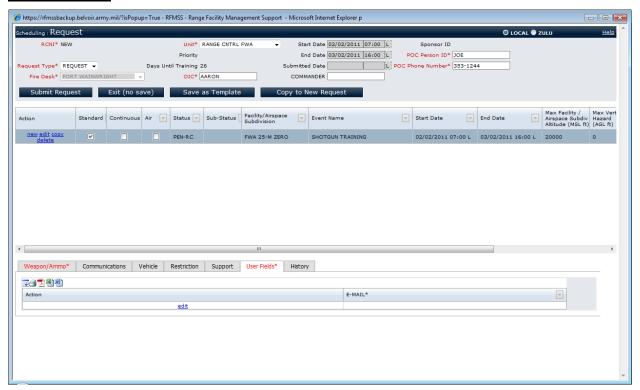
A **Waiver** would be the requirement to obtain special permission to conduct specific types of training (i.e. fire fighting training during a dry season).

### Support tab -



This tab displays support facilities/equipment associated in the database with the selected facility.

### <u>User Fields tab</u> –



All that is required is to add an e-mail address.

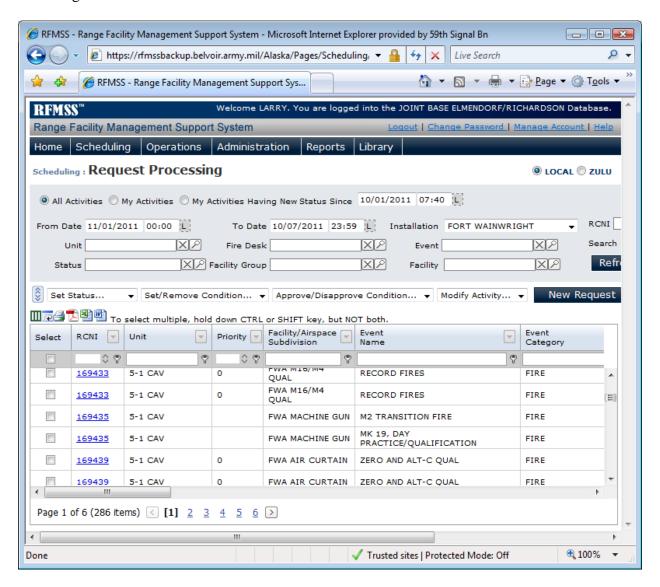
Once **ALL** information has been input click the **submit request button** to the left side of the screen.

Once you click *submit request* your request will be entered into RFMSS and you will have the option to *Print Summary*. Your request is now *PENDING* and you will need to check on the status. Statuses of PEN-CUST and COND-RES require additional information and units need to ensure their requests are not delayed because of the requirements. Once your request is approved (RES), print a copy for the certified OIC/RSO; they must have a hard copy of the request with a "RES" Status when they come and sign for the facility and while the unit occupies it.

Submitting a Non-Standard Request — The difference between the Standard Request and Non-Standard Request is the relational database is bypassed when submitting a Non-Standard Request. When filling out the Non-Standard Request the drop down fields will display *ALL* possibilities, not just those relationships established in the tables as with a Standard Event request. Submitting a Non-Standard Request requires the range cadre to modify the range in some manner or establish special support. The form is the same; data contained in the drop down fields will be different. Units are encouraged to contact Range Control prior to submitting a Non-Standard Request.

# **Reviewing Requests**

Selecting the "Request Processing" tab under the scheduling field will display the following window:

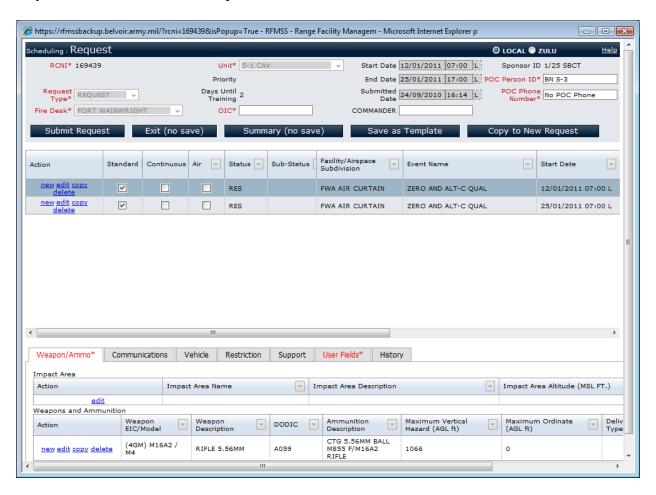


To view the **Request Summary** the user selects the date for training. The search may be further filtered by selecting a specific **Unit**, **Status**, **Facility**, or **Event**. Once the user has selected the filters desired click on the *Filter Requests* Button and the requests will display as shown above.

To review a submitted request place the curser over the RCNI number and double click. This will pull the Request Summary for viewing.

# **Modifying Requests**

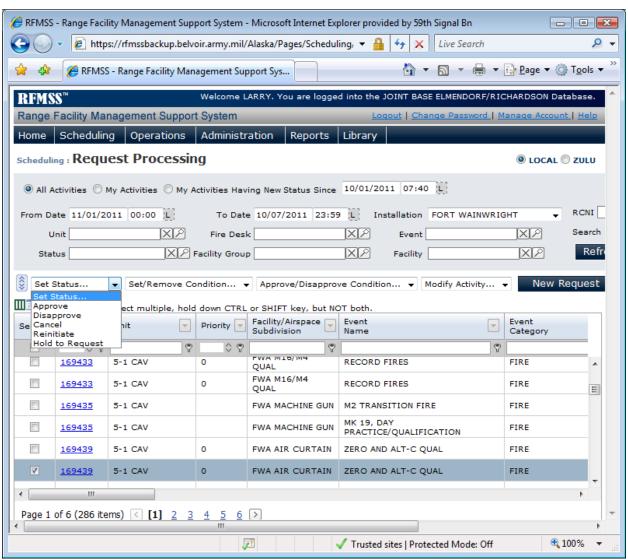
Modifying a request may be done by the submitting unit until it has been approved by RANGE CONTROL. Upon Range Controls approval it is now a reservation. Reservations can only be modified by Range Control. To modify a request the submitting unit must select "Request Processing" tab under the scheduling column. If the submitting unit selects a request they submitted there will be an option to the left side of the form, "Edit", as seen below.



Clicking the Edit option will open the request form that was originally submitted. The user updates the changes as required. Once the request form has been changed the user clicks the SAVE button on the request form. The request is now submitted under the same RCNI number with the requested changes. To verify the user may again select the "Review Requests" from the left hand column and view the RCNI as posted in the application.

# **Request Processing**

Selecting the "Request Processing" tab will display the following window:

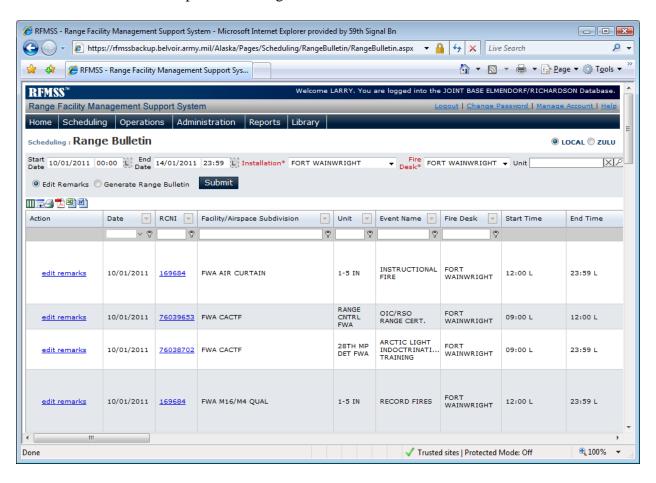


To process a request the user must be established in the Chain Of Command (COC) in the system set up tables. To view the submitted requests the user selects the date when training is to take place. The search may be further filtered by selecting a specific **Unit**, **Status**, **Facility**, or **Event**. Once the user has selected the desired filters click on the **Filter Requests** button and the requests will display as shown. To process a specific request place the curser on the radio button in front of the RCNI and click. This will activate the radio button and a dot will appear in the button. Next place the curser on the button labeled with the action desired to be applied to the request (i.e. Approve, Cancel, Disapprove, Re-initiate, Request Approval Log, or Hold to request). The action is taken in the system to update the database with the action. To verify the action was accepted in the system place the curser over the Filter Requests and click. The request will be seen again but the **Status** and/or **Sub Status** will reflect the change.

(The Sub Status will reflect the next higher lever of approval required as established in the set up tables.)

# **Range Bulletin**

The Range Bulletin will display the scheduled range activities during the selected time frames. Below is an example of the Range bulletin window.



# Help

Help allows the user to view an active help screen that will assist in the understanding of each of the screens provided in the RFMSS WEB based application. The "Help" button will take users to screens and give brief explanations as to the functionality of that screen.

# **Help Desk**

This will take the user to the numbers to contact the IMS-A NOSC. User should call the local FA prior to contacting IMS-A NOSC.

# Logout

Clicking on the *Logout* Button (right hand side of your screen) will log out the user and close the web access session. *UNITS*, *ENSURE YOU USE THE LOGOUT OPTION* – do NOT just hit the "X."